

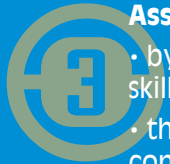
OUR GOALS



Provide opportunities to have fun and find enjoyment in a Youth Sports Program



Provide opportunities to develop lifetime fitness and leisure skills



Assist in physical development

- by teaching fundamentals and safe-sport skills
- through improving players' physical condition
- by teaching sound health habits
- by ensuring safe playing areas and proper equipment



Help youth develop psychologically

- by fostering the development of self worth and personal identity,
- by offering opportunities to express and control emotions.
- through creating a learning environment.



Help youth develop socially

- by learning cooperation and good sportsmanship.
- through teaching independence and the importance of teamwork.
- by developing leadership skills.

What All Players Need

1) Footwear

a. Basketball:

- Shoes with non-marking soles

b. Baseball

- Cleats with a toe cleat
- T-Ball can wear tennis shoes

c. Soccer/Flag Football

- Cleats without a toe cleat

2) Athletic Wear

a. Basketball/Flag Football:

- Shorts without pockets

b. Baseball

- Baseball pants or long pants or jeans without holes
- T-Ball can wear shorts
- All age divisions need a fielder's glove
- Wooden bats are not allowed

c. Soccer

- Shorts without pockets
- Shin guards

3) All Sports

a. Wearing jewelry during practices and games is not allowed

What All Players Receive

Basketball – Uniform shirt

Baseball – Uniform shirt and hat

Soccer – Uniform shirt and socks

All participants receive an award at the end of each season



YOUTH SPORTS

U.S. ARMY YUMA PROVING GROUND



Our Philosophy

Enjoyment of the game is of most importance to children. When the game ceases to be fun, it ceases to be a game. In our league, undue stress must not be placed upon winning, but upon participation.



Win or lose, sportsmanship and fair play are imperative. A successful season is one in which children improve their skills, learn new skills and by all means, have as much fun as possible.

The emphasis of our league is on the experience of both child and parent.

Our Intent & Purpose

YPG Youth Services youth sports is a recreational/instructional league. Our first priority is fair and equal play for all youth athletes. All players get equal time on the field and court regardless of skill level. Once this is achieved, our next focus is on teaching teamwork as well as building and improving sports skills.

If you have any questions about the YPG youth sports program, please contact: Debbie Frazier (928) 328-2860.



National Standards for Youth Sports

1) Proper sports environment

Parents must consider and carefully choose the proper sports environment for their child. This includes the appropriate age and development for participation, the type of sports, the rules of the sport, the age range of the participants, and the proper level of physical and emotional stress.

2) Programs based on the well being of children

Parents must select Youth Sports Programs that are developed and organized to enhance the emotional, physical, social and educational well – being of children.

3) Drug, tobacco, and alcohol free environment

Parents must encourage a drug, tobacco and alcohol - free environment for their children.

4) Part of child's life

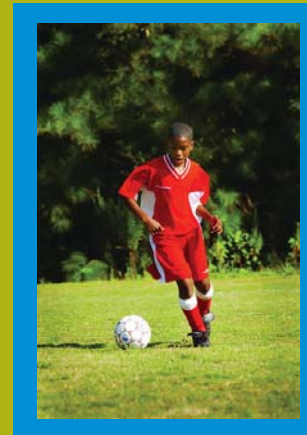
Parents must recognize that Youth Sports are only a part of their child's life.

5) Training

Parents must insist that coaches are trained and certified.

6) Parents' active roles

Parents must make a serious effort to take an active role in the Youth Sports Experience of their Child, Providing Positive support as a spectator, coach, league administrator and or caring parent.



7) Positive role model

Parents must provide a positive role model, exhibiting sportsmanlike behavior at games, practices, and at home. While also giving positive reinforcement to their child and support to their child's coaches.

8) Parental Commitment

Parents must demonstrate their commitment to their child's Youth Sports experience by annually signing the code of ethics.



9) Safe playing situations

Parents must insist on safe playing facilities, healthful playing situations, and proper first aid applications, should the need arise.

10) Equal play opportunity

Parents, coaches, and league administrators must provide equal play opportunity for all youth, regardless of race, creed, gender, economic status or ability.

11) Drug, tobacco, and alcohol free adults

Parents must be drug, tobacco, and alcohol free at all Youth Sports events

For more information regarding the Youth Sports Program, contact the Youth Center at 328-2861.